GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2232
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DEATH OF PEACOCKS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news- item captioned `Peacocks dying of mysterious ailment in Rajasthan` as reported in the Statesman dated May 3, 2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Union Government have sent any team to Rajasthan to find out the exact cause of ailment of peacocks and provide any kind of help; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. The news item captioned ` Peacocks dying of mysterious ailment in Rajasthan` published in the `Statesman` dated on 3.5.2001 mentions the death of 129 peacocks under mysterious circumstances during the past four months, particularly in Sikar and Jaipur districts of Rajasthan.

As per the report of the State Government 91 peacocks have died in Sikar in the month of February,20 peacocks died in Ajmer during January, and 19 died in Jaipur during May, 2001. The post mortem reports indicated that the deaths occurred due to pneumonitis and gastroenteritis microbes and severe heat stroke.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.